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Dear Friend,

### New Web Site, YouTube Channel and Facebook Page

This month marks the launch of my new official Web site, YouTube channel and Facebook page. These platforms are designed to provide easier access to services provided by my office, facilitate greater communication and give you a first-hand look at my day-to-day work in Congress and Upstate New York.

I encourage you to visit and engage with me on these great new sites:

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## Bringing Fiscal Responsibility Back to Washington

As a member of the Blue Dog Coalition, restoring fiscal responsibility and accountability to the federal government is among my top priorities in Congress. That's why on Wednesday, July 22nd, I led debate and voted in support of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009 (HR 2920). This bill, commonly referred to as PAYGO, requires Congress to pay for the cost of tax cuts or increases in entitlement spending with savings elsewhere in the budget. The legislation we passed in the House is similar to the statutory PAYGO law of the 1990s, which helped turn massive deficits into record surpluses, yet was allowed to expire in 2002.



Here is a video of my opening remarks as I manage debate on a resolution to consider H.R. 2920, The Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vc6Td5-H0WI>



Here is a video of my rebuttal to Rep. Marsha Blackburn's (R-TN) criticism of PAYGO as being 'too weak' because it includes a provision allowing for emergency spending for catastrophes like Hurricane Katrina and the Indian Ocean Tsunami of 2004. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l3kFM1Xvyu8>

Click Here For A Summary of HR 2920  
The Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009

<http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/query/z?c111:H.R.2920>:

## Health Care Reform

In Upstate New York and across America, people are talking about how to fix our nation's broken health care system. Earlier this month, America's Affordable Health Choices Act of 2009 was put forth in the House of Representatives with the aim of addressing the high costs and lack of accessibility that plague the current system. While I understand the need to take action, I am committed to working with my colleagues as long as it takes to shape a piece of legislation that works for my constituents. I encourage you to contact my office with your opinion on this issue, and look forward to hearing from you as this debate continues in the weeks and months ahead.

Click Here For The Draft Bill Text of HR 3200  
America's Affordable Health Choices Act of 2009

<http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/bdquery/z?d111:H.R.3200>:

## Investing in Upstate New York

In an effort to revitalize the Upstate economy, I have been working to secure key investments in transportation and infrastructure projects for my district. On Wednesday, July 23rd, I managed debate and helped pass the Transportation, Housing and Urban

Development Appropriations Act (HR 3288), which includes over \$4 million for development of high-speed rail service in Upstate New York, and \$200,000 for economic revitalization projects at the former Seneca Army Depot. Of these funds, \$1 million are specifically for improvements at crossings in Oneida County. I worked with fellow members of the bipartisan Upstate Caucus to secure funding for these important projects.



Here is a video of my opening remarks as I manage debate on a resolution to consider H.R. 3288, The Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act of 2009.  
[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UW\\_Up2ACwf0](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UW_Up2ACwf0)

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<http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/query/z?c111:H.R.3288>:

Thank you for taking the time to read my e-newsletter. If you enjoyed reading this update about my work in Washington and Upstate New York, please forward this message on to your friends and family who might be interested. As always, please do not hesitate to contact one of my offices if you have any questions or concerns.

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